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STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2020-

**AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR DESIGNEE TO ENTER INTO A
CONTRACT WITH THE UNITED STATES BUREAU OF RECLAMATION (USBR)
UNDER WHICH THE STATE WATER BOARD WILL BE REIMBURSED FOR
ADMINISTERING THE WATER RIGHTS OF THE USBR**

WHEREAS:

1. The United States Bureau of Reclamation (USBR) holds extensive water rights in California.
2. As a federal agency, the USBR has declined to pay water rights fees to the state.
3. For many years, the USBR has negotiated a separate agreement to reimburse the State Water Board for costs to administer water rights held by the USBR.
4. Approval of agreements will ensure continued reimbursement by the USBR to the State Water Boards for a portion of the administration of water rights for USBR projects.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The State Water Board:

1. The State Water Board authorizes the Executive Director to execute agreements not to exceed the amount budgeted for the Water Rights Program for the Federal Trust Fund up to \$ 892,000 to contract with the USBR for reimbursement of State Water Board staff costs for administration of the USBR's water rights through fiscal year 2024-2025.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned Clerk to the Board does hereby certify that the foregoing is a full, true, and correct copy of a resolution duly and regularly adopted at a meeting of the State Water Resources Control Board held on October 20, 2020.

Jeanine Townsend
Clerk to the Board